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TO: All County Welfare Directors
All County MEDS Coordinators
All County MEDS Security Coordinators

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CALIFORNIA CHILDREN'S SERVICES (CCS) ACCESS TO MEDS

State Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch (MEB) has given CCS staff authorization to access Medi-Cal Eligibility Data Systems (MEDS) inquiry status only (see ACWL E-Mail DHS #93077, dated April 30, 1993) in three State Regional Offices, 32 State directed dependent CCS counties and 28 independent CCS counties.

MEB and Data Systems Branch staff have assisted State CCS in establishing a State level CCS/MEDS Coordinator (Liaison). The Liaison will issue MEDS names and passwords and see that all CCS staff understand the confidentiality and security procedures governing disclosure of MEDS and/or Medi-Cal information.

State CCS staff have begun MEDS training and issuing of MEDS passwords to counties CCS staff. All questions concerning CCS access to MEDS should be directed to:

Maureen McCreary, DHS/CCS, Phone (916) 657-1197;
DHS E-Mail, Emc2/TAO address: HSCCS

It is understood that some counties have already issued MEDS passwords to county CCS staff. Counties that have issued MEDS passwords for CCS staff need to contact Maureen, who will add the names to the State CCS master list and confirm the access goal.

County MEDS Coordinators please pass a copy of this letter to your County CCS Administrators (CCS).

Sincerely,

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